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Georgia Ministers Honored

The Men of Central, an organization of the laymen of the Central Congregational Church of Atlanta church, held a recognition dinner honoring the ministers of the Georgia-South Carolina Conference on the night of May 16.

Ministers receiving citations were the Rev. Peter Doherty of Columbus, the Rev. Edward Knight of Waycross, and the Rev. Wm. H. Taylor of Decatur, now serving the Sardis Oxford Church.

Mr. Doherty, who retired from active service as a parish minister this year, received his citation for "Forty years of consecrated and effective service in the Christian ministry." Mr. Knight's citation was for "successfully leading in the building of a new sanctuary." The citation to Mr. Taylor was for "effective leadership of a daily vacation Bible school in 1957."

Superintendent James H. Lightbourne Jr. was the featured speaker for the evening.

Officers of the Men of Central are Robert E. Bailey, president; J. H. Taylor, vice president; Clifford J. Moe, Secretary; Sam Thomason, treasurer; Leslie Beall, chairman of denominational projects; John R. Helms Sr., chairman of benevolence projects; and Robert J. Kuzell, chairman of community projects.

Taylor Receives Award

The Rev. Wm. H. Taylor, a student of Columbia Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Ga., who has served the Oxford Sardis Church for more than a year, received the Indiantown Church Award recently.

The award is given by the Indiantown Presbyterian Church of Hemingway, S. C., to encourage interest in and promote the development of Country Church Work. The interest from an

Commencement At SUC

According to President Walter A. Graham, 28 students received associate in arts degrees from the Southern Union College on June 1.

The speaker for the baccalaureate service in Elder Auditorium at 11 a. m. was Dr. William Clyde Burton, minister of the First Congregational Church, Ft. Worth, Texas. Dr. Luther Allen Weigle, dean emeritus of the Divinity School of Yale University, spoke for the graduation program Sunday afternoon.

Members of the Class of 1958 include (from Alabama unless otherwise noted); Otis J. Abernathy, Lanett; Carl David Bain, Pisgah; Glenda Emma Barrett, Cragford; Billy Joe Bassett, Franklin, Ga.; James Porter Benefield, Roanoke; Terry Edwin Burt, Greenville; Leslie Owens Browning, Lincoln; Shelby Walker Caffee, Birmingham; Denada Lee Cecil, Robbins, Tenn.; Cecil Jerry Cox, LaFayette; Wendell Onward Daniel, Woodland; Gordon M. Denney, Milltown; David Truitt Farrior, Dutton; James Elias Fincher, Opelika; Hubert Russell Forehand, Daviston; Eldon Randolph Gutshall, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Jack Tracy Hill, LaFayette; Roy Q. Jackson, Alexander City; Ralph V. Knight, Wadley; James E. Mitchell, Alexander City; James Larry Newton, Sterling Clark Newton, Greenville; Jack Patterson, Dadeville; Irene Roberts, Milltown; Charles E. Sprayberry, Alexander City; Gene Jackson Watson, Georgiana; Freddie Dale Whitman, Dadeville; and R. D. White, Roanoke.

endowment fund is awarded annually to the member of the Middle class of the seminary who makes the most outstanding record of work in a rural church or field during the summer months between his second and third years in the institution.

General Council Meets

The 15th meeting of the General Council of Congregational Churches will be held June 24-30 in Boston, Mass. The place of the meeting will be Mechanics Halls, vast building on Huntington Avenue. Headquarters of the General Council will be in the Somerset Hotel on Commonwealth Avenue.

Moderator George B. Hastings of Nebraska will preside, and the Chaplain will be Rev. Joseph H. Evans of Chicago. Rev. Maurice L. Heahlen of Green Bay, Wis., will preach the Council sermon at the Old South Meeting House.

The three major addresses to be given are: "The Limits of Our Freedom in Christ" by Dr. Robert Lowry Calhoun of Yale Divinity School; "The Lordship of Christ in His Church" by Dr. Nels F. S. Ferre of Andover Newton Theological School; and "The Lordship of Christ in the World" by Dr. Liston Pope of Yale Divinity School. Discussion periods will be held after each lecture, and guides have been mailed to all delegates.

Many trips to historic churches and points of interest have been arranged.

Precouncil programs have been planned for June 23 for ministers and laymen and for women.

Delegates from the Southeast Convention who are planning to attend are: Supt. James H. Lightbourne Jr., Mrs. Arnold Slater, Walter A. Graham, Rev. Herbert Long, Rev. N. A. Long, Rev. A. C. Nelson, Dr. Blankenhorn and Dr. Thomas Anderson. Going as visitors are Rev. Arnold Slater and Mrs. Blankenhorn.

International Council Meeting

Supt. Lightbourne Jr., Dr. Grobel and Rev. Blankenhorn will go on to Hartford Theological Seminary for the

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OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD LEAVEN

(Address given at Southeast
Convention Annual Meeting)

We are met as members of churches of the Southeast Convention of the Congregational Christian Churches to further the work which Christ entrusted to the care of the churches. "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20) This is the origin of Our Church World Mission. It is "ours" because it was first His. Christ bore it on His mind. He carried the concern for the hungry, oppressed and sinful upon His heart. He lifted their sickness of body and soul to the Lord God Almighty when He prayed. And because He cared so much He gave His very life for them. He charged His followers to teach them, baptize them, and educate them in the Christian way of life. Such is our purpose when we are gathering for worship. Such is our mission when meeting for study and discussion of common problems. Such is the purpose of our assembling to consider the common work of our Congregational Christian Churches in this convention. We are churches with a purpose, and that "mission" is ours because it was first Christ's. His is, was, is now, and ever shall be, but He entrusts it to us. He gives us the Great Commission — it is now Our Christian World Mission.

The mission is a "world-wide" program. It could be nothing less and be Christ's. He who cared for the Idumean and those beyond Jordan, who carried His ministry to the regions of Tyre and Sidon, who remained with the Samaritans for several days at their own request, who tarried to talk with a Samaritan woman at the well about the nature of true worship, who made a Samaritan the hero of good-neighborliness, who praised the Samaritan leper because of his gratitude, and who commended the faith of a Roman centurion as greater than any in Israel — He made no narrow boundaries for His kingdom. As God was father of all mankind, — all races, all nations, all children of men — so Christ's kingdom of righteousness and love was all-inclusive. He sought to "make disciples

of ALL nations." Not MY neighborhood, not OUR parish, not my town or county, not even MY country, but the WORLD is Christ's mission field—"from Greenland's icy mountain to India's coral strand."

In our Congregational Christian Churches we have been diligent in carrying the mission into all the world. We have begun in our own communities and state conferences and then reached out to the Indians, the Negroes, the Puerto Ricans, the migrant farm laborers, the newly arrived immigrants, the orphan children and the street gangs, and wherever men and women were in need of the Gospel. We have had our Church Extension, our Evangelism, our Home Missionary Society, our American Missionary Society, our Christian Education, our Council for Social Action, and our state conferences, to carry the "gospel" into every corner of our country. We have been as eager to reach the least, the last, and the lowliest as those of high rank and station. This task has been assigned primarily to our Board of Home Missions, to the conventions and conferences, and to the Council for Christian Social Action.

But we have not stopped at our nation's borders. For 150 years we have worked through the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions to carry the message into other lands. In Turkey, for example, the responsibility for the Christian Mission has been assigned exclusively to our board. It is a particularly difficult assignment because the government forbids public presentation of Christianity. There we have to demonstrate by the quality of our lives what Christianity says. There we have to "witness" by our good works rather than our words. But our Christian social action is always our most eloquent evangelism. For the non-Christian is convinced, not by him that sayeth "Lord, Lord," but he that doeth the will of the Father. Christian social action is DOING, a living demonstration in action of what we confess with our lips and our loyalty. Our mission is the world and the gifts to Our Christian World Mission which you have given through the churches has carried that mission world-wide.

There is one characteristic of Our

Christian World Mission which, I believe, deserves our special consideration. It is the leavening character of the mission. Jesus said that "The kingdom of heaven is like leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till it was all leavened." (Matthew 13:33) Leaven is the yeast which ferments to raise the dough; it is the element which modifies or tempers the whole. It is vital to the mass, though it is minute. It produces a mighty result, though it is minuscule. Three measures of meal — with a dash of leaven.

This leaven of Christianity has been powerfully at work in the missions which have gone out to Asia or Africa. (I recall a remark made by a former missionary to the Belgian Congo. He said that the government allowed, indeed supported, the missionaries in their educational program knowing that the schools would produce a generation of natives who would rise up against their colonial status and demand their freedom.)

At the Omaha General Council one of the high points was the dramatic presentation by the American Board, entitled "Measure of a Moment". It was staged in the great amphitheatre with a corps of 100 persons, and narrated by Ramond Massey. Center stage you saw an angry Communist stirring up the African natives. "Who gave the white man the money to put up those buildings?" Who dug the gold? Who did all the back-breaking work?" "We did the work! We gave the white man the money!" shouts the crowd. He turns upon the Christian pastor. "Have you not worked for 30 years, Christian, with patience and moderation? And what can you show for it? More and more and more restrictions . . . until today we have no adequate land . . . no decent employment . . . and more curfew laws and pass regulations than ever before. Can you deny it, Christian?" To which the crowd responds, "Answer! Answer!"

"How shall I answer as a Christian? What he says is true . . . This ferment in Africa . . . is it a Christian responsibility. The Christians began it and we must answer for it! We cannot . . . we dare not . . . stop halfway in revolution!" To which the Narrator adds, "8:41 p. m., June 23, 1956. Revolution!"

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SOUTHERN WORK CAMP

The Southern Work Camp, sponsored by the Pilgrim Fellowship of the Southeast Convention, the Congregational Christian Service Committee, and the Franklinton Institute, is scheduled to begin at Southern Union College on Aug. 3 and continue for two weeks. After this, three-fourths of the campers will move to Bricks, N. C., for two more weeks. The camp at Wadley will be directed by Rev. and Mrs. Clarence W. Baldwin of Birmingham; and the one at Bricks by Dr. and Mrs. Judson King.

Both camps are limited to 20 young people of 15 years and over. Ten of the campers will be from the SEC and ten from other states outside the area.

The Christian work camp is an expression of the seriousness of young people today. Naturally they want to enjoy themselves and to discuss the problems of their day. But they want to do much more than talk and enjoy themselves; they want to do something to make the world a different place, and working with their hands on some project which will really meet some aspect of human need seems to satisfy some deep, wide-spread — indeed almost universal — striving of Christian youth today.

PF DISTRICT RALLY

The spring rally of the South Alabama-Northwest Florida Pilgrim Fellowship District was held at Blackwood Church near Headland on April 26-27.

The following were elected to office: Wayne Graves, president; Larry Rister, vice-president; Lynn Nelson, secretary and treasurer; Sandra Wallace, Faith commission; Joe Brackin, Action commission; and Linda Sue Adams, Fellowship commission.

Three of the six PF groups of the district were represented: Andalusia First, Blackwood and Andalusia Antioch.

The rally was high-lighted with "Group Dynamics" led by Dick Chamberlain, national chairman for the Action Commission.

Lowell Kennedy, student at Southern Union College, was the Sunday morning speaker.

—Wayne Graves, president

Let Your Idle Clothing Go To Work

A call to the churches has been issued by Church World Service: "In view of the urgent need for clothing among the disaster-stricken, chronically destitute, and homeless refugees of our time . . . Church World Service issues a call to the churches to secure 50,000,000 pounds of clothing during the next four years, with an immediate goal of 10,000,000 pounds during 1958."

The United Clothing Appeal is the response of the churches to that call. Planned on a year-round basis during the next four years, the Clothing Appeal will be a continuing program of all denominations to secure the good, wearable clothing, bedding, blankets, and other items to meet the needs of people overseas. The Congregational Christian Service Committee urges our participation.

The local church will be the center of clothing collections. It is vital that the donors of clothing contribute 8c per pound of contributed clothing to pay the costs of processing the clothes at the Church World Service Centers and to get the clothing from the centers to the port. The 8c does not cover transportation from your church to the Center.

Overseas ocean freight, in many cases, is paid by the U. S. Government. Part of the 8c defrays ocean freight to countries for which freight is non-reimbursable.

The overseas relief agencies of your own church, working singly or with other church groups, provide for distribution. These ministries are financed by your gifts made during One Great Hour of Sharing.

What is needed most?

Men's clothing, especially trousers, suits and work clothing.

Teen-agers' clothing for both boys and girls.

Children's garments of all varieties.

Infant wear, including layettes.

Women's clothing — suits, dresses, house dresses and undergarments.

Blankets and bedding — a first requirement when disaster strikes.

Send clothing to Church World Service Clothing Center, New Windsor, Maryland, designating it Congregational Christian.

Echoes Of Southern Union

The college was happy to be the host to the Ministers' Convocation when approximately 30 ministers of the Convention met together for parts of three days. One of the leaders, Dr. Robert W. Spike of New York, was a chapel speaker and the students heard him with much interest. It is unfortunate that the college facilities are so crowded that the ministers cannot eat, sleep and have all of their meetings on the campus.

The annual May Day celebration was one of the most colorful and happy the college has seen. The Lord blessed us with a wonderful day so far as the weather was concerned. Miss Ann Hannah of Talladega was crowned May Queen. The only sad note of the day was the loss of a baseball game to Troy State by a score of 3 to 2, a thrilling game at that.

The first music festival of the Alabama Junior Colleges was held recently on the campus with 63 students from three colleges present for the occasion. The adjudicators for the Festival were Dr. William Baxter from Birmingham-Southern College and Dr. Arthur Fraser of Alabama College, who not only rated the contestants but gave each one a list of constructive criticisms. Entries from Southern Union included John Carter, who was rated Excellent; Gene Holliday, Good; John Hassell, Good; William Camp, Excellent; Barbara O'Barr, Superior; and Ruth Yarbrough, Good. Southern Union's girls trio rated Excellent while the men's quartet drew a Superior rating. We are truly proud of the Music Department under the leadership of Mrs. Lilly Justus.

In addition to the regular ending of school about this time of year, the changes in faculty that inevitably occur and the beginning of summer school on June 9, the campus and town will echo with the wedding of several faculty and student members.

Rev. Douglas Wasson, vice president in charge of promotion, has resigned and will be a member of the staff of Snead College at Boaz, Ala. He has done much for Southern Union and his many friends will wish him well at Snead.

—Walter A. Graham, President

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IS NAME CALLING FAIR?

In "Pilgrim's Progress," the church newsletter of Birmingham Pilgrim Church, the Rev. Clarence Baldwin states: "Name calling seems to be quite fashionable today. It is indulged in by politicians during campaigns, by newspaper columnists, by the man in the street — yes, even church people indulge themselves once in awhile. Ejaculations such as 'Communist-dominated', 'subversive', 'guilt by association', 'bigot', etc. are often used. Sometimes we read in the newspaper that such and such organization has been cited by the House Un-American Activities Committee and we conclude, quite naturally, that the organization is subversive or it would not have been so cited.

"But citation is not PROOF of subversion. A citation may be merely a record that some unnamed person has made an accusation. Anyone can be so cited. If I were an unprincipled columnist, a dishonest politician, or an unworthy citizen I could smear some person's or organization's good name by citing it to the House Un-American Activities Committee as being subversive and then state publicly that said person or organization had been cited before the committee. I could do this without violating any of the now ex-

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

The new American Board Calendar of Prayer for 1958 introduces us to our missionaries and singles out, day by day, a missionary family or individual for our prayerful concern. By this systematic spiritual undergirding of our overseas mission new faith is created, new strength is found, both for the missionary and for the homeland Christian.

Descriptions of American Board personnel and institutions have been entirely recast in the new calendar to make them more personal and informative. New aids to prayer and devotion are included. Larger type makes the book more readable.

Single copy is 40 cents; 30 cents in quantities of five or more. One copy is free to any minister on request. Address request to Mrs. Ruth Starkey, 14 Beacon St., Boston 8, Mass.

isting slander or libel laws."

Mr. Baldwin brings to our attention a situation that contradicts one of the basic tenets of our American democracy — that a person is innocent until proved guilty.

The guilt-by-association name calling is especially deplorable. Occasionally we read that some person we know and respect is listed as being a member of an organization that has been cited to the Un-American Activities Committee as being "Communist-infiltrated". We are shocked. We wonder how such a person could get involved with an organization so listed.

A person who has belonged and does belong to such organizations said recently, "Most of the people who yell the loudest about Communists would not know one if they met one. Those of us who do recognize a Communist when we meet one, because we know their tactics, remain on such boards and with such organizations in order to fight the Communists and keep them from taking over a good organization.

This seems more the American way, the courageous way to fight Communism in the United States.

Rather than name calling and jumping too hastily to conclusions, it might be better if we learned more about what Communism is and how it differs from Democracy in order that we may recognize it wherever it is found in whatever disguise.

Your Family's Summer

Summer is upon us. Vacation opportunities beckon. There are camping trips, holidays, picnics, gardens, swimming pools and lakes, and other happy experiences. Which ones will your family choose? Let the family share in making your summer plans. Remember that each member needs some free time for himself. Sunday and vacation church schools will be included. Recreation programs will be available. But the leisurely hours of summertime will give opportunity for family activities.

Take time for family fun. Vacation time means play time. "A family that plays together, stays together." Plan those things which cannot be worked in during other months of the year — that family picnic, a beach party with the neighbors, hikes, meals and games out-of-doors in the back yard. Just the other day a local hardware store was advertising on the radio their new supply of fishing equipment: for the men, for the kids, "for the whole family". As the announcer said, "You'll probably be able to work in more fishing trips that way." And he is probably right!

Doing things in family groups is an old idea. The summer can be a time for worshiping together as a family. Religion, to be most helpful, must be "home-made". Some families choose a special hymn, such as "For the Beauty of the Earth", and a scripture like Psalm 19 as their vacation thoughts. Then summertime activities and worship can be built upon them. Worship materials learned in Sunday and vacation church schools can be used by the families in their worship periods.

Summer is a time to work together as a family. In a democratic family every member has a job for which he is responsible. During the vacation time there is also time for creative activities. Planting a vegetable garden, growing flowers, building, painting, or sharing the beauty of God's world can be a thrilling experience when it is a family affair. Each member can have a sense of satisfaction if his effort is recognized as worthwhile by his family.

Let's make THIS summer a FAMILY summer!

—Shirley N. Berry, chairman
SEC Christian Edu. Committee

Church News....

On May 18 **Brookmeade Church** began a Building Fund Campaign to raise money for an educational building. Part of the worship service was the dedication of pledges to the work of God's kingdom with the thought that when we have personally felt the comfort and strength of the church in our own lives, an opportunity to increase its effectiveness in the lives of our children through adequate facilities becomes a high privilege.

The Rev. Clyde C. Flanner, minister, spoke on "A Mother's Guide to a Happy Home" on May 11th, basing his sermon on Dr. John A. Schindler's book, **Woman's Guide to Better Living**. Dr. Schindler says that the bulk of medical practice in the U. S. is concerned now with emotionally induced illness. Furthermore, there are three women patients with E. I. I. to every man, and married women make up the bulk of women patients. He asks "What is wrong with women?" and his answers have to do more with the problem of the home, with the father and the children. His guide to better living for women seems to be the guide for a happy home, for a genuinely Christian home, and how these characteristics can be acquired.

Workshops were held the last of May for teachers in the Vacation Church School, to be held June 18 to July 1. Mrs. A. A. Coult will direct the school.

On Children's Day, June 8, the Church School presented a special program at the worship service hour.

On June 22, Nature Sunday, plans are being made to have the morning service at Edwin Warner Park, followed by an all-church picnic and nature hunt.

—from the church bulletins

At **Lanett Church** the Rev. Joe A. French was the guest preacher on May 25. A fellowship dinner was held after the service with the Rev. and Mrs. French, Agnes and Carolyn as guests of honor.

The East Alabama - West Georgia Laymen's Fellowship had a supper meeting May 31 at Langdale.

Through some personal gifts the

church now has a Model 30 Addressograph Machine.

The Men's Club has invited the ladies to have joint meetings once each month, planning the program to appeal to both groups.

Mrs. Lena Stephens is Superintendent of the Vacation Bible School, which is June 1-13.

from church newsletter

On May 18, as part of the morning worship service, the Rev. C. W. Baldwin, minister of **Birmingham Pilgrim Church**, gave special recognition to all those graduating from high school or college. Each graduate was presented with a book, **The Greatest Thing in the World** by Henry Drummond, as a gift from their church.

A Sunday School Teachers' Council meeting was held May 4.

The Rev. Howard Bryant was guest speaker at Family Night on May 7. Mr. Howard is a graduate of Howard College of Birmingham, Southwestern Seminary in Texas, and lived for 15 years in Chile, making five trips around South America. His talk was highlighted by curios he brought back as well as slides.

Mrs. Fred Norton, who was injured in a fall while attending the SEC meeting in Lanett, is recuperating and feeling much better.

—from church newsletter

The Laymen's Fellowship of **Pilgrim Church, Chattanooga**, had as the guest speaker Dr. Robert Groves, who talked on "Our Educational Needs" at the May 21 meeting.

Young people attended the May 9 meeting of the Inter-Faith Youth movement for Senior High youth. Guest speaker was Dr. Gordon W. Lovejoy of Guilford College, N. C., national consultant for the NCCJ.

New officers for the Pilgrim Fellowship are: Mark Slater, president; Julia Slagle, vice president; Linda Swanson, secretary; Jimmy Kennedy, treasurer; John Henley, Faith; Mary Alice Davis, Action; Lowell Bennington and Mary H. Blackwell, Fellowship; George Holland, Contact, Junior PF — Ellen Mun-

South Georgia Association

The South Georgia Association met on May 17 at Enigma Church with the Moderator, N. A. Long Jr., presiding. The association sermon was delivered by Rev. Henry Abbott.

New officers elected were Rev. Edw. B. Knight, moderator; Rev. Fred Thaxton, vice moderator; W. C. Carpenter Jr., secretary-treasurer. The next meeting will be held at Douglas, Ga.

son, president; Rita Gerrard, secretary; Judy Denison, treasurer.

—from the church newsletters

On May 18 Mrs. Floyd Tanner and the young people of **Vanceville Church** visited the convalescent Home for the Aged in Tifton, taking flowers. A nurse went with them into the rooms of some of the patients who were too feeble to meet in the lobby. The group sang, read Scripture, talked and prayed with the patients. They found it a most rewarding experience to bring comfort to those aged and helpless people, and the patients seemed happy to have visitors.

We were happy to have the Southern Unionaires, the quartet from Southern Union College, sing in our church on the night of April 27. The church was well-filled and all enjoyed the music. The boys spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Royal Wood and continued on their tour of Georgia and Florida next morning.

W. C. Carpenter Jr., Hugh Johnson, and Mrs. Royal Wood were delegates to the South Georgia Association meeting at Enigma on May 17. Others from our church attended also and reported a good meeting.

On April 25 Mrs. Hugh Johnson entertained her Sunday School class of Junior boys and girls with a wiener roast at the educational building.

In addition to the monthly Sunday School offering for the Christian Orphanage at Elon, N. C., L. M. Veasey made a personal donation.

Our young people put on a lovely Mother's Day program on May 11. Our Easter Sunrise Service was inspirational to all who attended, in spite of the rain.

—Mrs. M. L. Matthews, reporter

OPERATION "COUSINS"

The Women's Fellowship of Alabama-NW Florida has cooperated in the project of establishing a fund for bringing some of the overseas women delegates to the International Congregational Council to be held in Hartford, Conn., July 2-10.

Women's groups from the following churches participated, and a total of \$80 has been forwarded to the national office: Lanett, Thorsby United, Headland Blackwood, Andalusia First, Andalusia Antioch, Tallassee Mt. Olive, Phenix City United, Roanoke Forest Home, Clio New Hope, Lanett Huguley, Langdale, Roanoke Antioch, Birmingham Pilgrim and East Tallassee Liberty.

Southern Union Day Offerings

Another project of the women of Alabama and NW Florida has been Southern Union Day offerings. Mrs. Challis Rhodes, president, has reported \$342.43 received for this purpose. Other amounts were sent directly to the college from the churches, and we have no record of the amounts. Participating were Birmingham Pilgrim, Headland Blackwood, Steppville Mountain Grove, Roanoke Antioch, Roanoke First, Clio New Hope, Roanoke New Hope, Crestview Dorcas, East Tallassee Liberty, Roanoke Forest Home, Andalusia First, Wadley Christian, Langdale, Phenix City First, Wedowee Noon Day, and Lanett.

Mrs. Rhodes states that the project is not closed and if there are Women's Fellowships who may have overlooked this matter and now wish to participate they may send a contribution to the treasurer, Mrs. Bernice Carter, 209 Boutwell St., Andalusia, Ala., and she will forward it to Southern Union.

General Council . . .

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eighth assembly of the International Congregational Council July 2-11. This will be the fourth time the ICC has met in the United States. The first meeting was held in London in July 1891 by invitation of the Congregational Union of England and Wales.

United Student Fellowship

A United Student Fellowship group was organized during the Fourth Annual PF Meeting of the Southeast Convention in LaGrange on March 15-16. Dr. Bryant Drake, the national secretary of the Division of Higher Education, met with the young people and helped them with plans and organization.

The USF was begun by the CC and the E & R to unite the young people of college age of both denominations on the campuses on June 15, 1948 at Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio.

The purpose of USF is to bring together the young people on college campuses for a sharing of problems and ideas.

The annual USF National Conference will be held Aug. 26 to Sept. 2 at Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa. Cost is \$45. For further information on the conference, or for plans and program of the SEC USF for the coming year, write to Betty Slater, president, 1800 Crestwood Dr., Chattanooga, Tenn.

An executive session of USF officers was held recently in Chattanooga, with Betty Slater from Knoxville, Raymond Rymph from Nashville and Donald Sanford and Miss Annie Campbell from Atlanta.

PreSession For National Youth Council

The four delegates to the Joint National Youth Council of PF and YF, to be held at Union Seminary in New York June 20-27, drove with Miss Annie Campbell to Jacksonville, Fla., for their Pre-Council session with the Florida delegates and their youth leader, Rev. Maldwyn Parry. The Rev. Henry Tani, E & R National Youth Director, came from Philadelphia to conduct the session.

The young people were royally entertained by the Rev. Alastair C. Sellars with the aid of church members. Those from the Southeast Convention were John Henley, Frank Little, Patsy Yancey, and Peter Sanford.

Bell Elected President

Max E. Bell, Luverne, Ala., is the new president of the Student Council at Southern Union College. Vice president is Sheldon Darnell, East Tallassee, Ala., who was runner-up in the five-man race for the executive role.

Secretary-treasurer is Bill Reese, Talladega, Ala. Miss Jean Luker, Delta, Ala., was elected as representative-at-large from the 1958-59 sophomore class.

Bell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Malley Bell and is a member of the Brantley, Liberty Church. He is a letterman in football and baseball and a member of the Board of Directors of Circle K, the campus unit of Kiwanis International. He is a freshman.

Our Christian . . .

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Revolution going wrong! Revolution begun by Christians . . .! Christians began it . . . in Africa . . . in China . . . in India . . . all across Asia! Revolutionary men . . . Christian missionaries . . . carrying the most explosive book on earth . . . "To which the Chorus replies, "Mein Kampf? Das Capital?" And the Narrator responds, "No, THE BIBLE! Down through history . . . in every country on earth — wherever and whenever the Christian missionary set foot on foreign soil . . . JUST THERE began the REAL revolution . . ."

This leaven of Christianity which leavens millions in Asia, Africa and the isles of the ocean, has been powerfully at work in America, as well. Over 100 years ago the voice of conscience cried out against human slavery and formed the American Missionary Society to dispel the darkness of ignorance with education. When Indians were robbed of their lands and despoiled of their rights this mission board pleaded their cause before the bar of justice and the public conscience. The leaven was not large. The voices were not many. But the people of our churches gave them their blessing, their prayers, and (very important) their money. And the leaven did its powerful work.

(To be Continued Next Month)